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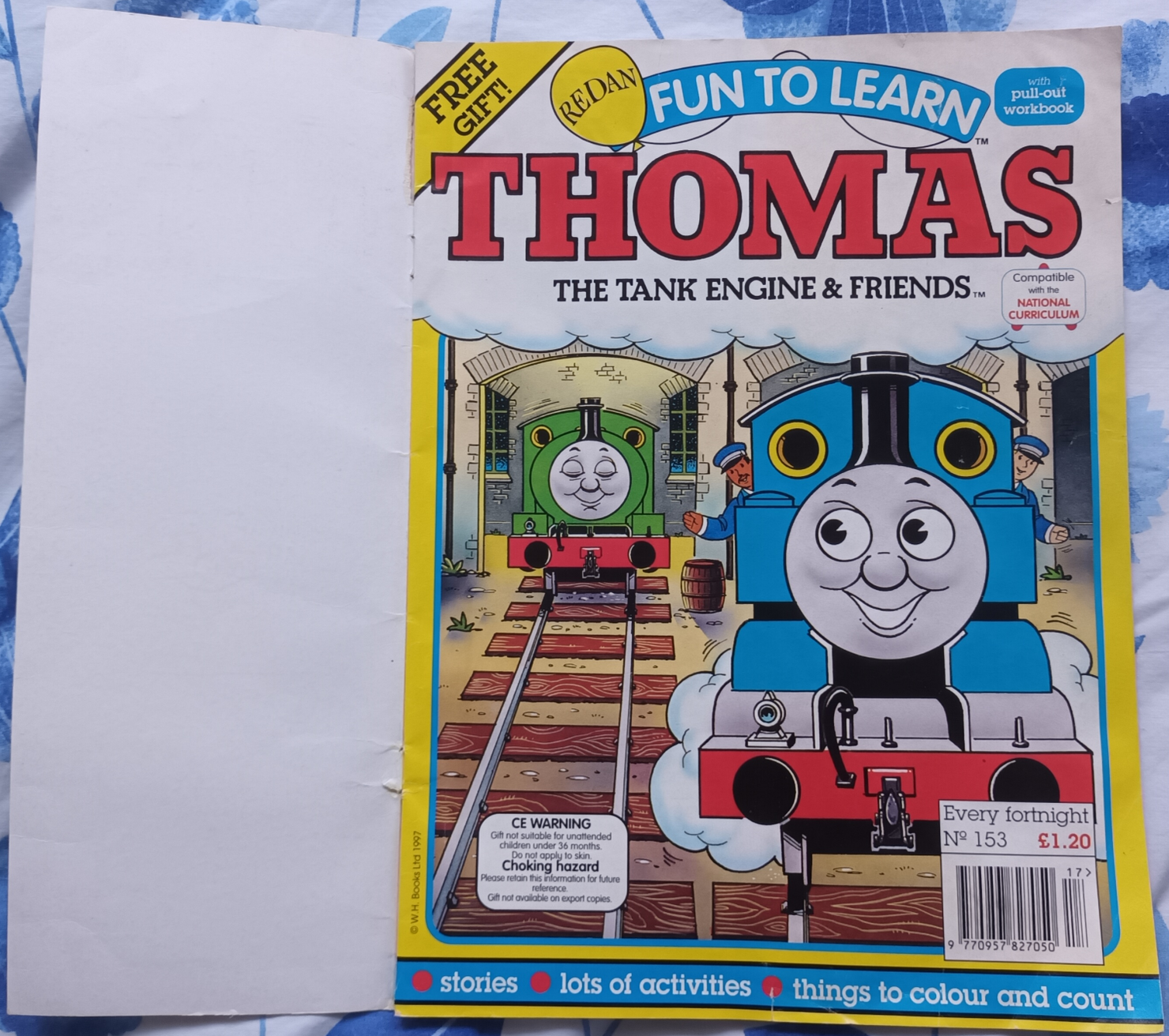
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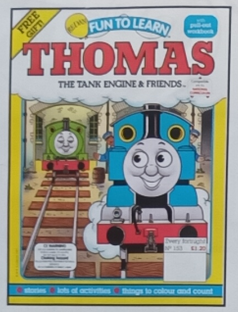

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A read aloud story

PERCY'S HOUSE

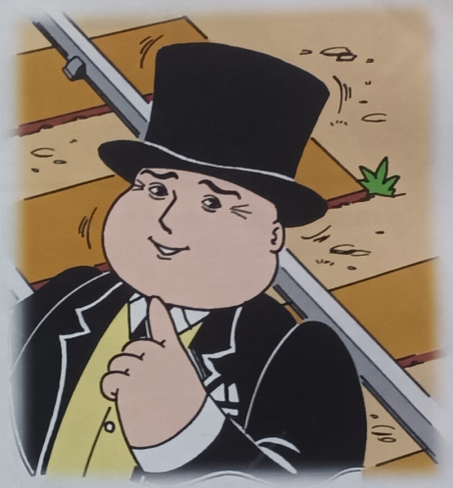
1 One day, the Fat Controller was telling the engines what to do. "James, I want you to take the school train today and Percy, you need to go to the harbour to collect cement." James laughed, "Poor old Percy, having to pull trucks full of cement! Oh well, I must go and collect my children!"

2 The next day, the Fat Controller continued giving orders. "James will take the slow passenger trains today and Percy has to collect bricks from the harbour." James laughed again. "Poor Percy, more trucks while I get passengers! Ha Ha!"

3 Later, the Fat Controller told James to pull a special train taking elderly people on an outing while Percy had to go and collect lots of wood from the yard. James laughed again.

4 The next day, James took more passenger trains while Percy had to fetch bricks and the day after James took lots of people to a football match while Percy had to collect trucks full of glass and metal. James thought all this was very funny while Percy got more and more cross. Later, the Fat Controller asked James to take passengers and Percy to fetch gravel and tiles.

5 Percy said, "Please Sir, why does James get the passenger trains while I do less important work?" "Upon my soul," said the Fat Controller. "Don't you know how important your work is? I am sorry, Percy, I should have told you. All the things you have been getting this week are to help build a new house for the Station Master!"



6 Over the next few weeks, Percy saw all the things he had collected being put together to make the new house. He proudly told the other engines, "I helped to build that house!" They were all impressed except James. He kept quiet!

COUNTING TIME

Thomas' engine shed makes a cosy home. Here is Thomas' home and other different homes, for you to count.

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houses

nests

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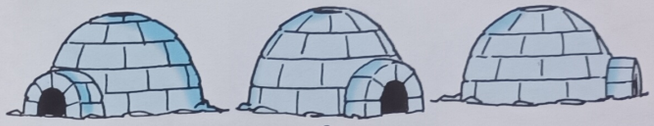

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How many engines are there in the engine shed?

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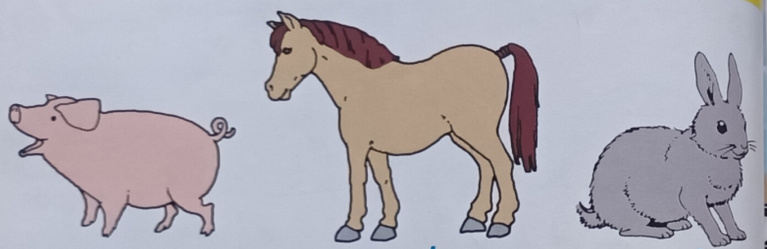
WHOSE HOME?

Follow the lines from each animal to find out where they live.



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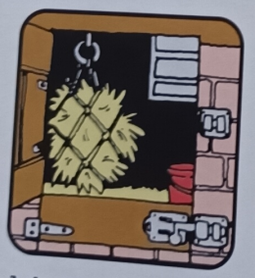

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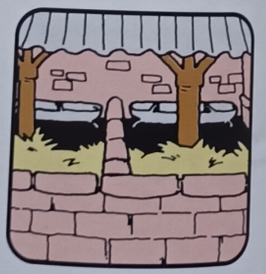

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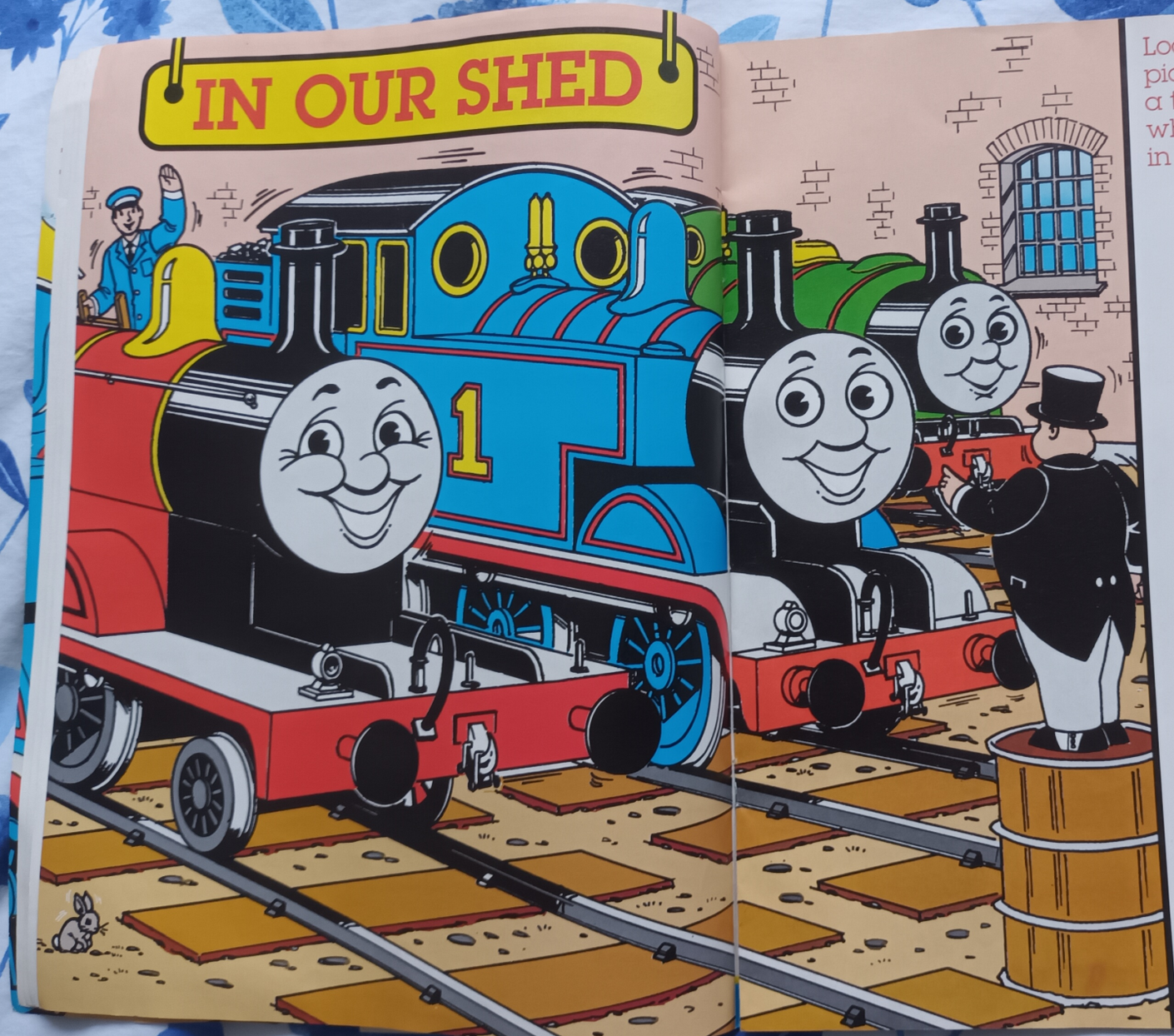

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How many boxes have you ticked?

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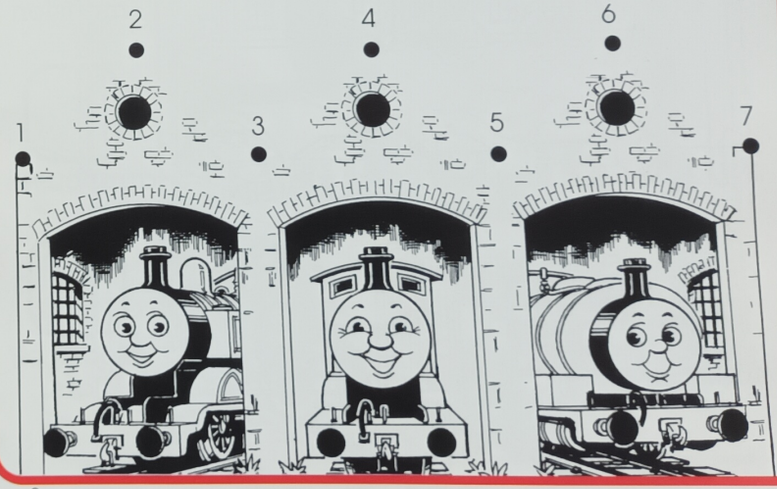
Join the dots to see where engines live.

They live in a...

shed

(write over the letters, starting at the dots)



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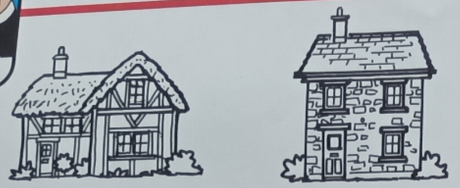
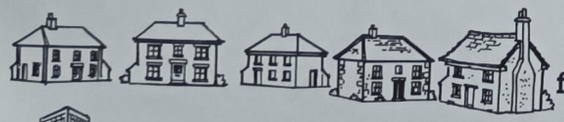


cottages

bungalows

mansion



farmhouses

blocks of flats

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

draw

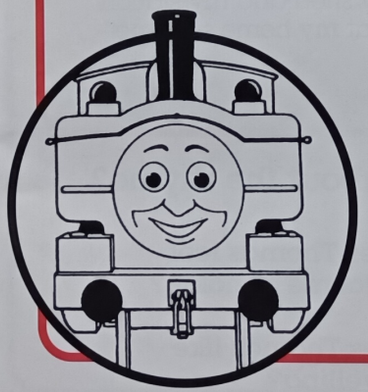
Draw Mavis in the space.

M is for Mavis

(write over the letters, starting at the dots)

match

Draw lines to join each object to its partner.



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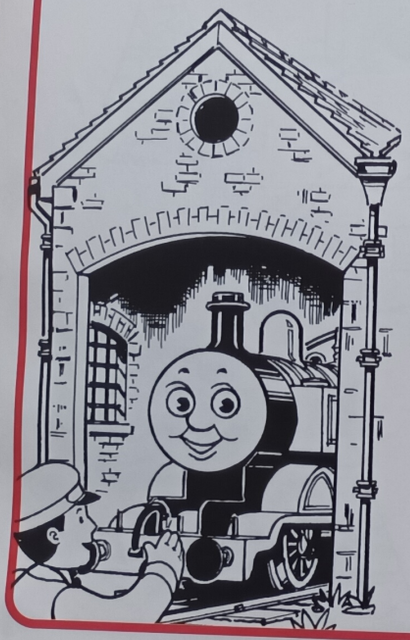


"Home," Thomas says,
"Is somewhere you go
At the end of the day –
A place that you know.

"When it's raining and cold,
Or when there's a storm,
It's nice to be home,
Feeling cosy and warm.

"Home is the place
With a welcome for you,
It's where you belong,
And those you love, too.

"I do like to travel.
But I know when I see
My shed and my station
That **my** home suits **me**!"

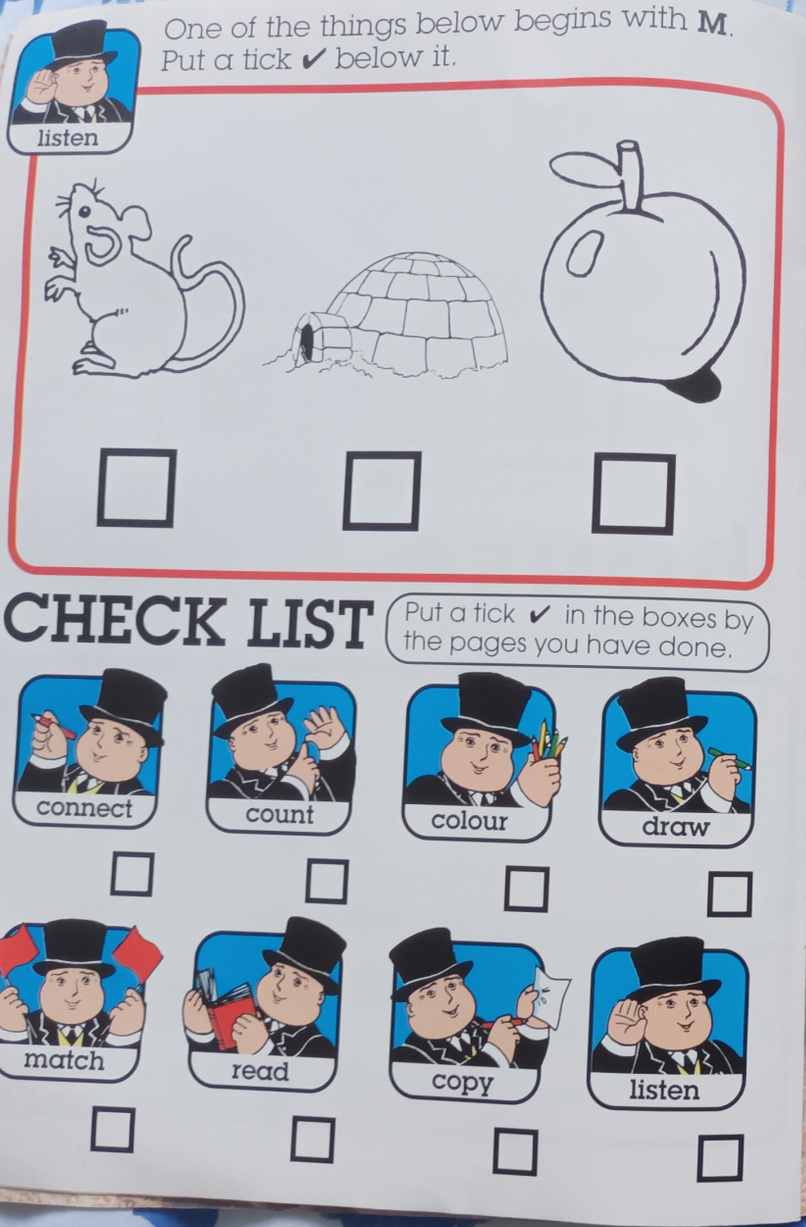
What do you remember about the rhyme?

- Where does Thomas go at the end of the day?
- Does Thomas feel welcome at home?
- Does Thomas like to be at home when it's cold?
- Does Thomas like travelling?

house house

(write over the letters, starting at the dots)

Copy your own house here.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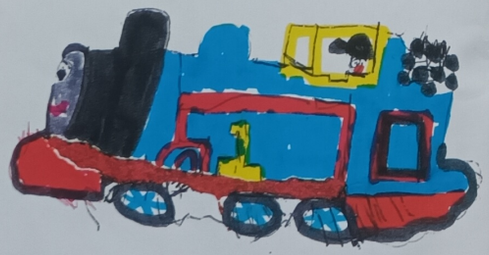

Luke Barden, 7, *Potters Bar*

Poop! Poop!

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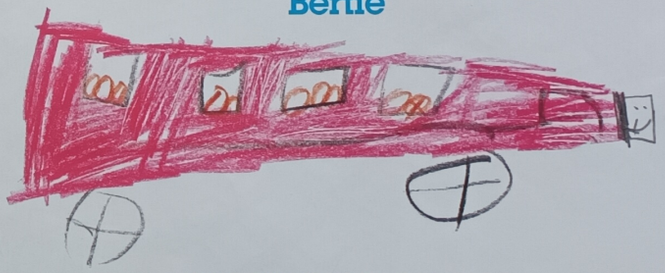

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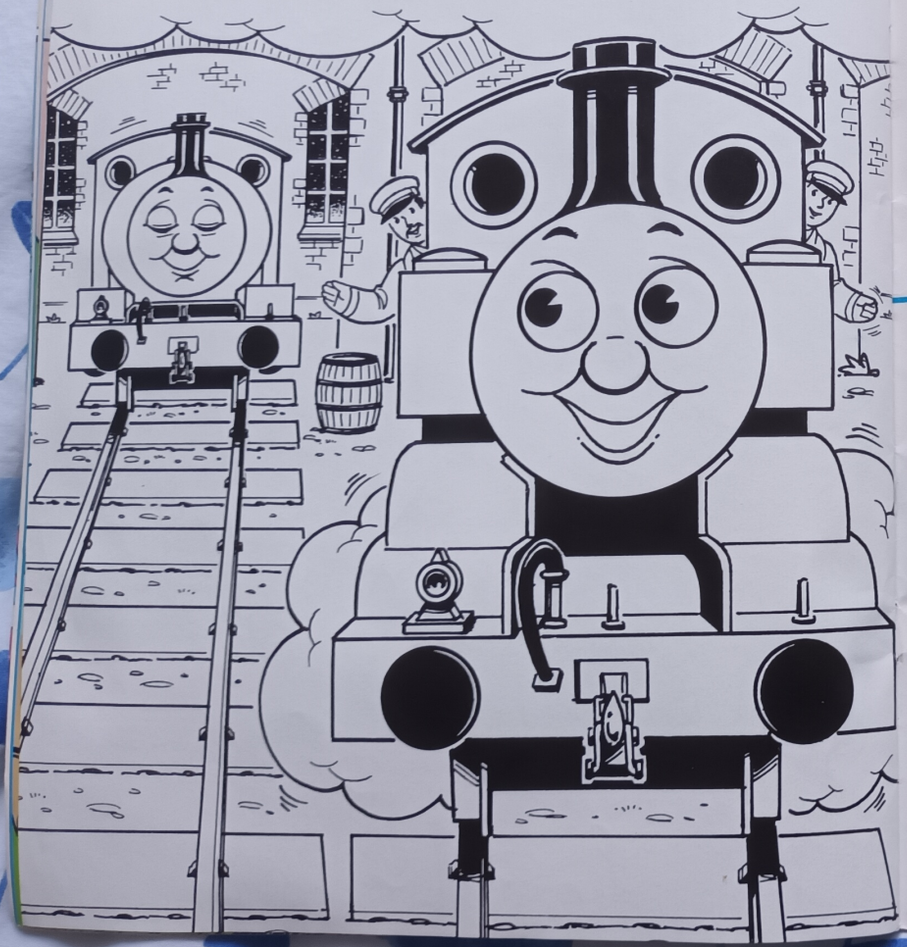

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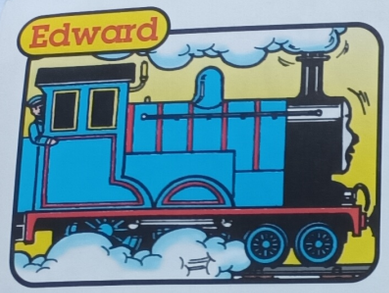
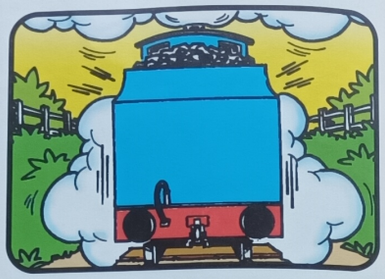


"Edward!" cries Thomas.
As Edward speeds past.



"We don't often see **you**
Going so fast!

Could you be going
The length of your line?

Or, beating a record
That's quicker than mine?"

Edward hears Thomas
As he steams ahead,

"I'm rushing along
Back home to my shed."

Edward is back in his shed.
Who else is in the picture?

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What colour is the house?

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